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Re: Legal representation of Hospital District employees

Dear General Morales:

The Harris County Hospital District has requested that the County Attorney of Harris County obtain an opinion of your office on the following questions:

1. May the Harris County Attorney's Office represent Harris County Hospital District employees accused of criminal acts?
2. May the Harris County Hospital District hire an attorney to represent an employee accused of a crime while in the course and scope of his duties?
3. May the Harris County Hospital District reimburse an employee for legal fees after being acquitted of an alleged criminal act committed during his employment?

Enclosed please find our memorandum brief. Please furnish your opinion on the questions presented.

Sincerely,

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By:

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Enclosures

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